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PATENT

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For: IMPROVED NET RUCKING  
APPARATUS AND METHOD  
Inventor: PINTO et al.  
Art Unit: 3726  
Examiner: Stephen Kenny  
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STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicant, by and through its attorneys of record, respectfully request a report as to the status of the above-noted application. This application was filed on September 30, 2003 and as of the date of this letter, no Office Action has been received in this matter. The purpose of this letter is to insure that an Office Action has not been misdirected in the mail and, if no Office Action has been forwarded, Applicant requests an estimate as to when it might expect an Office Action in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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